

New Records of *Merionoeda indica* (Coleoptera, Cerambycidae)

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Merionoeda indica was described by HOPE (1838, p. 28) based upon a female specimen collected from Nepal, and additionally described by GAHAN (1906). Since then, however, no contribution has been made to this species. It is characterized and easily distinguished from the other congeners of the genus by the wholly black body with the matted elytra and a pale ring just before the femoral club of the female hind leg. Recently, I was able to examine a rather long series of the same species collected from Laos and Sichuan as follows.

Specimens examined. [China] 1 ♂, 1 ♀, Mt. Daba Shan, Sichuan Prov., VI-2004. [Laos] 1 ♂, Phou Pan, 1,500–1,800 m in alt., Ban Saleui, Houaphan Prov., NE. Laos, 23~24-IV-2001; 2 ♂♂, 2 ♀♀, same locality, 9~13-IV-2004, T. NIISATO leg.; 1 ♂, same locality, 25-IV~5-V-2004; 1 ♀, 11-IV-2005; 1 ♀, 12-IV~11-V-2005; 1 ♀, same locality, 16-IV~15-V-2004; 2 ♂♂, 4 ♀♀, same locality, 22~24-V-2004, T. MIZUSAWA leg.; 2 ♂♂, 3 ♀♀, same locality, 22~23-V-2004; 2 ♂♂, 3 ♀♀, 27~31-III-2005, T. NIISATO leg.; 4 ♂♂, 8 ♀♀, 2~10-V-2005; 2 ♀♀, same locality, 12~21-V-2005; 1 ♀, Ban Niyod Rien, Houaphan Prov., 31-III-2004, Y. YOKOI leg.; 1 ♂, near Nong Het, 1,150 m in alt., Houaphan Prov., 29-IV-2004, Y. YOKOI leg.; 3 ♀♀, Ban Paksa, 1,650 m in alt., Xiengkhouang Prov., C. Laos, 17-IV-2008, H. WAKAHARA leg.; 12 ♂♂, 5 ♀♀, same locality, 30-IV-2008, T. NIISATO leg.; 2 ♂♂, 4 ♀♀, Ban Muang, 1,600 m in alt., Xiengkhouang Prov., 29-IV-2008, Y. ITO, T. NIISATO & H. WAKAHARA leg.; 2 ♂♂, Phuo Samsoun, 2,100m in alt., Xiengkhouang Prov., 2-V-2008, T. NIISATO leg.

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